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# **Arbitrator Disclosure Report**

Arbitrator last affirmed the accuracy of this Disclosure Report on 11/22/2023

## **ARBITRATOR**

Name: Mr. Michael Joseph Whealen Clas

Classification: Public

Arbitrator ID: A65357

**FINRA Mediator:** 

CRD #:

Chair Status: None

City/State/Country: Saint Louis / MO / United States DR Portal Registered: Yes

## **EMPLOYMENT**

Start Date	End Date	<u>Firm</u>	<u>Position</u>
05/2012	Present	Retirement	Retirement
09/2011	04/2012	Graybar Electric Supply	Federal Account Manager
08/2008	09/2011	Retirement	Retirement
05/2002	08/2008	AT&T Federal Solutions	Regional Vice President
06/1999	04/2002	AT&T Federal Solutions	Regional Sales Manager
02/1998	06/1999	AT&T	Sales Manager
01/1996	02/1998	AT&T Federal Systems	Sales
05/1993	01/1996	AT&T	Data Networking Acct Executive
04/1991	04/1993	AT&T	Senior Account Executive
02/1987	03/1991	AT&T	Regional Sales Director
09/1983	01/1987	American Bell	Account Executive
01/1983	09/1983	American Bell	Communications Consultant
12/1980	01/1983	Southwestern Bell Telephone Company	Communications Consultant
06/1970	12/1980	Ralston Purina	Fulfillment Supervisor

## **EDUCATION**

Start Date	End Date	<u>School</u>	<u>Degree</u>
08/1989	03/1993	Webster University	MA
09/1973	04/1978	Saint Louis University	BA

## **TRAINING**

<b>Completed</b>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Details</u>	Firm/School	<u>Hours</u>	<b>Location</b>
10/2024	Motion to Dismiss Training		FINRA	1	online
10/2024	Suspicious Act Rpt & Anti-Money Laundrg		FINRA	1	online
10/2024	Explained Decision Training		FINRA	1	online
08/2023	Enhanced Expungement Training		FINRA	1	online

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12/2022	Duty to Disclose online mini-course		54 FINRA	1	online	
12/2022	Understanding the Prehearing Stage		FINRA	1	online	
03/2021	Online Basic Panel Training		FINRA	6	online	
03/2021	Expungement online revised - 3/2009		FINRA	1	online	
03/2021	Suspicious Act Rpt & Anti-Money Laundrg		FINRA	1	online	
03/2021	New Online Civility Training	Paper exam	FINRA	1		
02/2021	Discovery Training (2011)		FINRA	1	online	

#### **CONFLICT INFORMATION**

A neutral's current relationship with a FINRA member firm is considered a conflict of interest which precludes the neutral from serving on a case involving said firm. FINRA's list selection algorithm automatically screens for known conflicts with FINRA member firms when generating lists of potential neutrals for a case, and, where a known conflict exists, the neutral will not appear on a list in that case.

Note: Disclosures of type "Related Conflict With" are automatically added to the list of disclosures by FINRA using data found in the Central Registration Depository (CRD). These disclosures are not provided directly by the neutral.

<u>Type</u>	Firm Name	<u>Details</u>
Family Member has relationship with	Edward Jones	Spouse has IRA
Has an account with	Computershare	Investment
Related Conflict With	Georgeson Securities Corporation	Conflict due to firm affiliation

#### **DISCLOSURE INFORMATION**

Neutral disclosures are provided for the parties' information but are not considered conflicts of interest. FINRA's list selection algorithm does not screen disclosure information when generating lists of potential neutrals for a case. The parties may consider this information when making decisions as to neutral selection.

Parties are encouraged to conduct their own due diligence for any prospective neutral, including their social media presence. Keep in mind that social media presence can change as accounts may be opened or closed, privacy settings may be changed and posts can be created, edited and/or taken down by the user. Social media posts made by FINRA neutrals do not reflect the opinions and views of FINRA.

<u>Type</u>	Firm Name	<u>Details</u>
Disclosed Online Activities	LinkedIn	www.linkedin.com/in/michael- whealen-0aa49b/
Disclosed Online Activities	LinkedIn	www.linkedin.com/in/michael- whealen-9758a3a/
Disclosed Online Activities	LinkedIn	www.linkedin.com/in/michael-whealena843361/
Disclosed Online Activities	LinkedIn	www.linkedin.com/in/mike-whealen-a613625/
Has made a disclosure about	MJ Services	Neutral owns firm; no money made from it
Is a member of	SBC Enhanced Pension Group	

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arrest was expunged

Plaintiff in 2008 title acquisition case, judgment for Plaintiff

Non-investment related lawsuit/ charge

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#### PUBLICLY AVAILABLE AWARDS FOR CASES INVOLVING PUBLIC CUSTOMERS

Publicly Available Awards for Cases Involving Public Customers Section, Current as of 12/14/2024

Case ID Case Name **Close Date** Role

There is no award information.

#### PUBLICLY AVAILABLE AWARDS FOR CASES NOT INVOLVING PUBLIC CUSTOMERS

Publicly Available Awards for Cases NOT Involving Public Customers Section, Current as of 12/14/2024

Case ID **Case Name Close Date** Role

There is no award information.

#### CASES CURRENTLY ASSIGNED INVOLVING PUBLIC CUSTOMERS

Case ID	Parties and Current Representatives of Record	Date Assigned	<u>Role</u>
23-0229	7 Customer (Counsel: Mr. Richard B. Fosher, Esq., St. Louis, MO) vs. First Allied Securities, Inc. (Counsel: Mr. Benjamin J. Biard, Esq., Miami, FL)	11/10/2023	Panelist
23-0111	Customer (Counsel: Mr. Richard B. Fosher, Esq., St. Louis, MO) vs. Moloney Securities Co., Inc. (Counsel: Mr. Matthew D. Turner, Esq., Jefferson City, MO)	07/06/2023	Panelist
22-0193	Customer (Counsel: Mr. Michael C. Bixby, Esq., Pensacola, FL) vs. Center Street Securities, Inc. (Counsel: Mr. Donald Pollard, Port Jefferson, NY); Jeffrey T. Kennedy (Counsel: Mr. Jeffrey T. Kennedy, Giddings, TX); Jack Robert Thacker (Counsel: Mr. Jack Robert Thacker, Murfreesboro, TN); Micah Harding Rayner, Jason Price Lamb, Michael Anthony Romano (Counsel: Mr. James L. Kopecky, Esq., Chicago, IL); Thomas Samuel Lisk (Counsel: Mr. Thomas Samuel Lisk, Abingdon, VA); Billy James Aycock (Counsel: Mr. Billy J. Aycock, Nashville, TN)	11/10/2022	Panelist
22-0165	Customer (Counsel: Mr. Richard B. Fosher, Esq., St. Louis, MO) vs. Arete Wealth Management, LLC (Counsel: Mr. Gregg J. Breitbart, Esq., Fort Lauderdale, FL); Center Street Securities, Inc. (Counsel: Mr. Donald Pollard, Port Jefferson, NY)	10/27/2022	Panelist

### CASES CURRENTLY ASSIGNED NOT INVOLVING PUBLIC CUSTOMERS

Case ID **Parties and Current Representatives of Record Date Assigned** Role

There are no currently assigned cases.

#### ARBITRATOR BACKGROUND INFORMATION

I have an MA in Management (emphasis in Human Resources Resources) from Webster University in March 1993. Also as a Sales Manager, Regional Sales Manager and Regional Vice President for AT&T/SBC/AT&T Federal Solutions, I was tasked with assisting my employees with basic financial advice, primarily the 401K's, Deferred Compensation Plans, Savings Plans and Executive Savings Plans. While I was prohibited from giving advice or specific recommendations, I did help them seek professional counsel for specifics. Many of these folks had never been involved with deferred compensation, stock options and longer term savings vehicles. As we moved people along in their careers it was incumbent of me to make them as broadly knowledgeable as possible.